

# Election platforms

As part of its Election '80 coverage, The Champion asked each candidate in Milton's 1980 municipal election to spell out their platform, in 150 words or less.

The following are their messages to voters, on the eve of election day, Monday, Nov. 10. A leeway of a few words was allowed, but any messages that ran far over the 150-word limit have been edited, in fairness to the others.

Hydro candidate Donald Colby did not submit a message.

## Candidates for Mayor

### DON GORDON

As your Mayor, I am in a fortunate position of having a global view of all issues.

Council passed a resolution authorizing expenditures of \$15,000. to a Toronto firm for a study of basically the downtown business section.

On the surface, that looks innocent enough, until you go into detail. The \$15,000. comes from everyone's pocket.

What about Milton Mall or White Oaks Plaza? They pay taxes. Is it fair to take their taxes, and spend them in another commercial area? Certain downtown merchants are embarrassed by this expenditure on their behalf.

Wouldn't these funds have not been better spent on trees, new sidewalks, road repairs etc. . .

I felt it was a morally wrong decision, so I

voted against it.

My vote was a conscience vote, fairness to everyone is of primary importance to me. No conflict will exist with me as to deciding honesty and integrity vs. political expediency.

### GORD KRANTZ

My views on important issues that have to be dealt with and resolved within the coming term, are as follows:

**Industry:** The industrial development has to be dealt with quickly, such as the industrial park north of 401, which will create jobs and added tax revenue for our community.

**Police:** They are a good force, but Milton needs a precinct open 24 hours a day for better protection.

**Youth and Senior Citizens:** Facilities for the youth, such as a swimming pool and gym

concept; and for the senior citizens, development of facilities to suit their needs and pocketbooks.

I have been a councillor for the past 15 years and have represented you, the citizens, to the best of my ability. I have served on different boards and commissions, and have been active in other community involvements. I am seeking your support on Nov. 10.

### BRAD CLEMENTS

During the past seven years that I have spent on Milton Council, we as a council have solved many issues, have made responsible decisions and have progressed.

I don't feel that our partner—the Region—has accomplished all it should have in those same seven years. There is a lack of credibility and leadership, along with ineffective Milton representation.

I feel there is a challenge there, to change it—to make it work, to make the Region something we can be proud of.

This is a challenge I am ready and prepared to accept.

### GUS GOUTOUSKI

Two years ago, I ran on a platform of four points based on the response of the citizens of the Town of Milton:

1. Underpass at Main

and Ontario Streets—approved

2. One unit of the Fire Department located south of the railroad tracks—approved.

3. Crosswalk safety program—approved

4. Road name duplication—defeated, but back again!

1980's platform is as

follows, and again based on the response of the citizens of Milton:

1. Amendment Seven: Provide a better industrial base to hold residents' taxes down; provide employment opportunities.

2. Management Study: Needed to analyse the structure and the ef-

fectiveness of department heads, the criteria of their positions and how they are fulfilling their requirements.

3. Recreation Facilities: Population warrants facility; facility for all citizens young and old; includes indoor

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**JIM WATSON**  
former  
Nassagaweya  
Deputy Reeve &  
Regional  
Councillor

**X Watson**

### MY CONCERNS

- ... over 4 decades in rural Nassagaweya
- ... 10 years on Local, County, & Regional Governments
- ... graduate of McMaster University with planning courses
- ... 5 years on Halton Region Conservation Authority

1. **TOWN HALL** . . . to move or not to move? This whole issue must be reviewed with GREAT CAUTION!
2. **RURAL ROAD UPGRADING PROGRAM** . . . How far along are we on the program accepted by council in 1977?
3. **GOVERNMENT AT THE REGION** . . . with 24 councillors drawing over ¼ million in salaries from the public purse leaving the Region ¾ million in debt. I ask you, how effective is your regional representation?
4. **MAINTENANCE OF RURAL LIFESTYLE** . . . We must guard against changing land uses that may evade the quiet peaceful rural way of life.
5. **TAXES** . . . It is imperative that all sewage capacity be given to industrial users, thus improving our industrial tax base and easing the burden on the homeowner.

## NOTICE

THE CORPORATION OF  
THE TOWN OF MILTON



### REFERENDUM QUESTION

NOTICE is hereby given to all municipal electors of The Corporation of The Town of Milton, that a vote will be taken at the 1980 Municipal and School Board Elections on the following question:

"Are you in favour of the Town of Milton seeking changes to the present structure of Regional Government by having more planning and servicing responsibilities returned to the Town from the Region of Halton?"

YES \_\_\_\_\_  
NO \_\_\_\_\_

This question was authorized by Milton Council by By-law No. 70-80, and will appear on all ballots used in the 1980 Elections. The question requires either a "Yes" or "No" response. ALL VOTERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO RESPOND TO THE QUESTION.

Your BALLOT may be cast at either of the advance polls held on Saturday, November 1st or Tuesday, November 4th, or on regular polling day on Monday, November 10th, 1980.

I hereby certify that the above-captioned question is a true and accurate copy of the question contained in By-law 70-80.

Dated: October 8th, 1980

R. Main  
Clerk Co-ordinator



**ELECT**  
**Tom**  
**Blanchard**  
Councillor  
WARD 2  
... a man for  
the times

### A PERSONAL NOTE TO RESIDENTS OF WARD 2

As your Councillor on Town Council I will always keep the well being of the residents of Ward 2 as my main priority.

Taking into consideration that in order to minimize the residential tax burden, light industry must be encouraged. The passing of Amendment Number 7 will ensure a good industrial tax base which will hold the line on residential taxation. By using sound planning practices now, we will create job opportunities for the future.

As a Milton Councillor, I would work to maintain a high level of recreation and social needs, and consider the basic level of service in all areas of Town Government, keeping in mind the times of restraint in the country.

The Rural Area of Ward 2 is of great interest to me and if elected to Council I will work to maintain the Agricultural Status of prime farmlands.

I wish to emphasize the fact that I have been very active in Community Activities throughout my three year involvement with the Milton Jaycees. I have been dedicated to the needs of Milton residents and would continue as your voice on Council. Now, more than ever we need a strong Council and I feel that I am the man for the times.



**EXPERIENCE . . .**  
**INVOLVEMENT . . .**

*Re-elect*

**ROSE HARRISON**  
Councillor — **WARD 2**



BRAD CLEMENTS

**TO RESIDENTS  
OF WARD TWO  
TOWN OF MILTON**  
**MAKE SURE  
YOUR VOTE  
COUNTS**

- YOUR (X)** Preserves the uniqueness and character of the Milton you believe in. New Miltonians cherish the things that we too often take for granted.
- YOUR (X)** Provides a strong, common sense, responsible approach to all the issues affecting you at the town and regional levels. Erratic, shotgun-style solutions never last the test of time.
- YOUR (X)** Signals a determined effort to grip the reigns of regional problems. We have a leadership crisis with the regional staff and council. Financial deficits, staff resignations and internal management studies indicate a housecleaning is needed.

PUT YOUR (X) ON THE BALLOT WHERE IT WILL DO THE MOST GOOD.

PUT YOUR (X) BESIDE  
**"CLEMENTS"**

**MAKE YOUR VOTE COUNT—FOR COUNCILLOR  
FOR THE REGION AND THE TOWN,**

VOTE **Brad CLEMENTS (X)**

For more information or assistance, call me at 878-6576

BRAD CLEMENTS